AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1.   (currently amended) A windshield washer apparatus of the type comprising a fluid delivery device to deliver a cleaning fluid to the windshield, comprising:

a washer switch having a variable frequency setting; ~~and~~

a controller that communicates with said washer switch and said fluid delivery device and that controls operation of said fluid delivery device for delivering fluids intermittently[[.]]; and

a manual override for postponing fluid delivery while in said variable frequency setting.

2.   (original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said fluid delivery is selectively adjustable among a range of intermittent settings.

3.   (original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein said intermittent settings correspond to predetermined time delays between successive fluid delivery events.

4.   (original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said apparatus further includes a manual override for delivering fluid on demand while in said variable frequency setting.

5.   (cancelled)

6.   (original) The apparatus of claim 1, further including a fluid dispensing device for receiving fluid from said fluid delivery device and which dispenses fluid onto a window.

7.   (currently amended) A method for administering fluid to a window comprising:

selecting an intermittent operational mode having a corresponding frequency of fluid delivery; and

administering fluid intermittently to the window based on said intermittent operational mode[[.]];

determining if fluid level of a fluid reservoir is below a predetermined level and providing a signal if said fluid level is below said predetermined level; and

discontinuing fluid administration if said fluid level is below said predetermined level while in said intermittent operational mode.

8.   (cancelled)

9.   (cancelled)

10.   (currently amended) The method of claim [[8]] 7 wherein providing a signal includes providing a warning signal.

11.   (currently amended) The method of claim [[8]] 7 wherein providing a signal includes terminating fluid delivery.

12.   (original) The method of claim 7, further comprising delivering fluid on demand while in said variable frequency setting based on a requested override.

13.   (original) The method of claim 7, further comprising postponing fluid delivery while in said variable frequency mode based on a requested override.

14.   (currently amended) A method for administering fluid to a window based on a user selected setting comprising:

determining an operating mode selected by the user from a range of operating modes;

administering fluid to the window;

waiting a predetermined time corresponding to said selected operating mode; and

readministering fluid to the window[[.]]; and

discontinuing fluid administration if fluid level of a fluid reservoir is below a predetermined level while in said intermittent setting.

15. (cancelled)

16. (original) The method of claim 14, further comprising overriding said administering based on a request.

17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein overriding includes administering fluid instantly based on said request.

18. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein overriding includes postponing fluid administration.